

COURSES—Continued

Kind of school	Kind of course	Full time	¾ time	½ time	Less than ½ more than ¼ time	¼ time or less
Professional nonaccredited.	Law only ³	12 class sessions per week.	9 through 11 class sessions per week.	6 through 8 class sessions per week.	4 through 5 class sessions per week.	1 through 3 class sessions per week.
Professional accredited and equivalent.	Internships and residencies: Medical, Dental, Osteopathic. Nursing, X-ray, medical technology, medical records librarian, physical therapy ⁴ .	As established by accrediting association. 18 clock hours or 14 semester hours, as appropriate.	As established by accrediting association or entity offering the internship or residency. 13 through 17 clock hours or 10 through 13 semester hours, as appropriate.	As established by accrediting association or entity offering the internship or residency. 9 through 12 clock hours or 7 through 9 semester hours, as appropriate.	As established by accrediting association or entity offering the internship or residency. 5 through 8 clock hours or 4 through 6 semester hours, as appropriate.	As established by accrediting association or entity offering the internship or residency. 1 through 4 clock hours or less than 4 semester hours, as appropriate.
Training establishment.	Apprentice or other on-the-job ⁵ .	Standard workweek.	Full time only	
Agricultural	Farm Cooperative ⁶ .	10 clock hours net instruction ⁷ .	7 clock hours net instruction.	5 clock hours net instruction.	No provision.

¹ Cooperative courses may be measured on a full-time basis only.

² When the institution certifies that all undergraduate students enrolled for a minimum of 12 or 13 semester hours or the equivalent are charged full-time tuition, or considered full time for other administrative purposes, such minimum hours will establish the criteria for full-time measurement. When 12 hours is properly certified as full time, VA will measure 9 through 11 hours as ¾ time, 6 through 8 hours as ½ time, 4 through 5 hours as less than ½ time and more than ¼ time, and 1 through 3 hours as ¼ time or less. VA will measure all other undergraduate courses as indicated in the table for undergraduate or professional courses, as appropriate, but when 13 credit hours or the equivalent is certified as full time, ¾ time will be 10 through 12 hours. When, in accordance with § 21.4273(a), a responsible official of a school certifies that a lesser number of hours constitute full time, ¾ time, ½ time, less than ½ time and more than ¼ time, or ¼ time or less, VA will accept the certification for measurement purposes.

To meet criteria for full-time measurement in standard collegiate courses which include required noncredit deficiency courses, in the absence of a certification under § 21.4272(k), VA will convert the noncredit deficiency courses on the basis of the applicable measurement criteria, as follows: 18 or 22 clock hours, 4 "Carnegie Units," or 12, 13, or 14 (as appropriate) semester hours equal full time. The credit-hour equivalent of such noncredit courses may constitute any portion of the required hours for full-time measurement.

³ Class sessions measured on basis of not less than 50 minutes of classroom instruction. Supervised study periods, class breaks and rest periods are excluded.

⁴ Supervised study must be excluded.

⁵ Full-time training will consist of the number of hours which constitute the standard workweek of the training establishment, but not less than 30 hours unless a lesser number of hours is established as the standard workweek for the particular establishment through bona fide collective bargaining between employers and employees.

⁶ In measuring net instruction there will be included customary intervals not to exceed 10 minutes between classes. Shop practice and rest periods are excluded. Supervised instruction periods in school's shops in farm cooperative programs and the time involved in field trips and individual and group instruction may be included in computing the clock hour requirements.

⁷ For full-time training the 440 clock hours a year may be prescheduled to provide not less than 80 clock hours in any 3-month period.

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§ 21.4271 [Reserved]**§ 21.4272 Collegiate course measurement.**

VA will measure a college level course in an institution of higher learning on a credit-hour basis provided all the conditions under para-

graph (a) or (b) of this section are met. See also § 21.4273.

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(a) *Degree courses—accredited or candidate.* VA will measure a degree course on a credit-hour basis when—

(1) An institution of higher learning offers the course; and

(2) A nationally recognized accrediting association either—